(घ) से (च) भारतीय वनस्पति सर्वेक्षण द्वारा औषधीय महत्व के कुछ पौधों सहित दुर्लभ और संकटापन्न पौधों का "रेड डाटा बुक ऑफ इंडियन प्लांट्स" जैसे प्रकाशनों में पता लगाया गया है। भारत सरकार तथा विभिन्न राज्य सरकारों ने देश के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में जैव-विविधता के संरक्षण के लिए अनेक उपाय किए हैं। इन उपायों में जो महत्वपूर्ण हैं वे इस प्रकार हैं: (i) पौधों, जिनमें संकटापन्न तथा दुर्लभ पौधे भी शामिल हैं, के उनके मूल स्थल पर ही संरक्षण के लिए जैव-विविधता से समृद्ध क्षेत्रों को जीव मण्डल रिजर्वों, राष्ट्रीय उद्यानों तथा वन्यजीव अभयारण्यों के रूप में अधिसूचित करके उनका परिरक्षण, (ii) वन्यजीव सुरक्षा अधिनियम, 1972 जिसमें संकटापन्न प्रजातियों के संरक्षण की व्यवस्था है, जैसे कानूनों को अमल में लाना; (iii) वनस्पतिजात और प्राणिजात की संकटापन्न प्रजातियों के अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय व्यापार कन्वेंशन के अधीन वनस्पतिजात तथा प्राणिजात की संकटापन्न प्रजातियों के व्यापार और वाणिज्य का विनियमन; (iv) भारतीय वनस्पति तथा सर्वेक्षण, केन्द्रीय औषधीय और सुगंधित पादप संस्थान, राष्ट्रीय वनस्पति अनुसंधान संस्थान, वैज्ञानिक और औद्योगिक अनुसंधान परिषद, केन्द्रीय आयुर्वेद और सिद्ध अनुसंधान परिषद् जैसी विभिन्न एजेंसियों द्वारा औषधीय पौधों और जड़ी-बूटियों की खेती और परिरक्षण करके उनका उनके मूल स्थान से बाहर संरक्षण; (v) ऊतक संवर्द्धन से कुछ संकटापन्न औषधीय पौधों के वर्द्धन और परिरक्षण की व्यवस्थाएं; (vi) औषधीय पौधों की खेती और विकास के लिए केन्द्रीय सहायता।

Rail Travel Concession to Religious/Social Organisations

1644. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names and addresses of religious/social organisations who have been granted rail travel concessions for their delegates to their periodical gatherings;

(b) what are the criteria for grant of such concessions with details thereof;

(c) whether an organisation named "Life Eternal Trust, New Delhi,' has requested for travel concession to their delegates attending their annual gatherings;

(d) whether the said organisation fulfils the criteria prescribed for grant of rail travel concessions;

(e) if the answer to part (d) above be in the affirmative whether their request has been granted; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) A statement giving the list of organisations eligible for rail travel concessions for their delegates attending annual conferences of the organisations is attached. (*See* below) In addition, certain other organisations are also granted concession on one time basis.

(b) The criteria for grant of such concessions are that the organisation seeking the concession should be an all India body and should be engaged in activities of social, educational or cultural nature.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) to (f) The above criteria are generally followed for grant of concession which is not done as a matter of routine. The Railways' policy is to limit the concession to the minimum and every attempt is made not to enlarge the scope of existing concessions. For this reasons, the request of Life Eternal Trust, New Delhi was not acceded to.

Statement

List of All India Bodies of educational, cultural and social importance.

1. Akhil Bhartiya Darshan Parishad, Jaipur.
2. Akhil Bhartiya Prakritik Chikitsa Parishad, New Delhi.
3. Akhil Bhartiya Vidyarthi Parishad, Bombay.
4. Akhil Bhartiya Sindhi Boli and Sahitya Sabha, Bombay.
5. All India Ayurvedic Congress, Delhi.
6. Indian Dental Association, New Delhi.
7. All India English Teachers Conference, Nagpur.
8. Homoeopathic Medical Association of India, Delhi.
9. All India Federation of Educational Association, Kanpur.
10. All India General Practitioners' Association, Calcutta.
11. All India National Languages Convention (Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha).
12. All India Newspapers Editors' Conference, New Delhi.
13. All India Non-Edible Oil Industry Association, Pune.

14. All India Opthalmological Society, Bobmay.
15. All India Oriental Confernece.
16. All India Primary Teachers' Federation, Patna.
17. All India Prohibition Council, New Delhi.
18. All India Rashtriya Bhasha Prachar Sammelan (Rashtra Bhasa Prachar Samiti), Wardha.
19. Anatomical Society of India, Nagpur.
20. Association of Microbiologists of India, Bobmay.
21. Association of Otolaryngologists of India, Bobmay.
22. Association of Physicians of India, Bobmay.
23. Association of Physiologists and Pharmacologists of India, Bangalore.
24. Association of Surgeons of India, Madras.
25. Balkan-ji-Bari, Bobmay.
26. Bhartiya Admjati Sevak Sangh.
27. Bhartiya Hindi Parishad.
28. Bhartiya Natya Sangh, New Delhi.
29. Brihan Maharashtra Mandal (Regd.), New Delhi
30. Gandhi Smarak Nidhi, Rajghat, New Delhi.
31. Harijan Sevak Sangh, New Delhi-9.
32. Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh, New Delhi.
33. Hindi Sahitya Sammelan.
34. Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore.
35. Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists, New Delhi.
36. Indian Academy of Pediatrics, Bobmay.
37. Indian Adult Education Association, New Delhi.
38. Indian Association for Research in National Income and Wealth, New Delhi.
39. Indian Association of Occupational health, Bobmay.
40. Indian Association of Physiotherapists, new Delhi.
41. Indian Association of Teachers of French, Pune-4.
42. Indian Association for the Advancement of Medical Education, Madras.
43. Indian Chemical Society, Calcutta.
44. Indian Commerce Association.
45. Indian Council for Child Welfare, New Delhi.
46. Indian Council of Social Welfare.
47. Indian Economic Association, Hyderabad.
48. Indian Federation of Working Commission, New Delhi.
49. Indian Historical Records Commission, New Delhi.
50. Indian History Congress, Patna.
51. Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers, Calcutta.
52. Indian Institute of Personnel Management, Calcutta.
53. Indian Institute of public Administration, New Delhi.
54. Indian Library Association, Delhi-6.
55. Indian Mathematical Society, Ahmedabad.
56. Indian Medical Association, New Delhi.
57. Indian Orthopaedic Association-Section of Association of Surgeons of India, New Delhi.
58. Indian Pharmaceutical Congress Association. Calcutta.
59. Indian Philosophical Congress, Ranipur.
60. Indian Political Science Association.
61. Indian Phychiatric Society, Chandigarh.
62. Indian Public Health Association, Calcutta.
63. Indian Radiological Association, Madras.
64. Indian Red Cross Society, New Delhi.
65. Indian Roads Congress, New Delhi.
66. Indian Science Congress Association, Calcutta.
67. Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, Bombay.
68. Indian Society of Agricultural Statistics, New Delhi.
69. Indian Society of Anaesthetists, Ahmedabad.
70. Indian Society of Gastroenteroloy, Vellore-4.
71. Indian Society of Labour Economics, Patna.
72. Indian Society of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Kharagpur.
73. Indian Society of Soil Science, Delhi.
74. Indian Standards Institution, New Delhi.
75. Indian Statistical Institute.
76. Institute of Historical Studies, Calcutta.
77. Institution of Engineers (India), Calcutta.
78. The Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers, New Delhi.
79. Joint Annual Conference of—
    (i) Association of Physicians.
    (ii) Indian Society of Haematology.
    (iii) Cardiological Society of India.
    (iv) Neurological Society of India.
    (v) Diabetic Association of India.
    (vi) India Rheumatism Association.
80. Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Bangalore.
81. Marathi Sahitya Mahamandal, Bombay.
82. National Academy of Sciences, India, Allahabad.
83. National Council of Women in India.
84. National Institute of Sciences of India, New Delhi.
85. Neurological Society of India, Bombay.
86. Nikhil Bharat Banga Sahitya Sammelan.
87. Numismatic Society of India, Varanasi.
88. Servants of India Society, Pune.
89. St.John Ambulance and Brigade.
90. T.B.Association of India, New Delhi.
91. T.B. Workers' Conference.
92. Textile Association (India), Ahmedabad.
93. United Schools Organization of India, New Delhi.
94. Young Women's Christian Association of India, New Delhi.

95. Assam Sahitya Sabha, Jorhat.
96. Bharat Krishak Samaj, New Delhi.
97. Gujarati Sahitya Parishad.
98. Indian Public Schools Conference, Indore.
99. Sane Guruji Kathamala Madhyavarti Samiti, Bombay.
100. Indian Association of the Teacher Educators, Delhi.
101. All India Secondary Teachers' Federation (Regd.), Delhi.
102. Maharashtra State Federation of Drawing Teachers Assocation, Nagpur.
103. Sarvodaya Samiti.
104. Indian Association of Dermatologists and Venerologists and Leperologists.

Employment to Handicapped Persons in Railways

1645. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of handicapped persons who have been provided jobs in the Railways during the period 1993-94;

(b) whether Government have fixed any target to provide more jobs to handicapped persons during the year 1995-96;

(c) the number of applications/ representations which are pending with the Ministry of Railways from the handicapped persons, and how many applications have been forwarded to the concerned authorities for quick disposal; and

(d) the details thereof and by when job would be provided to them?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(b) As per the extant instructions, 3% of the vacancies in identified Group "C' & Group "D' categories are reserved for the physically handicapped persons and the actual intake is dependent, among other things, on number of vacancies filled in those categories.

(c) and (d) 144 applications/representations were received from the handicapped persons and all of them have been forwarded to the railways for disposal, and none is pending with the Ministry of Railways.

The provision of job against handicapped quota depends, among other things, on the availability of vacancies.

National Policy on Environment

1646. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry of India has called for a national policy on environment;

(b) if so, whether ASSOCHAM has sent a detailed programme to the Government in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government propose to examine and implement the views expressed by ASSOCHEM: and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e) Does not arise.

मधुबनी बिहार के संगठनों को विदेशी सहायता प्रदान किया जाना

1647. श्री रामदेव भंडारी: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) बिहार के मधुबनी जिले में कार्यरत स्वयंसेवी संगठनों को विदेशी संस्थाओं द्वारा प्रदान की गयी वित्तीय सहायता का ब्यौरा क्या; और

(ख) विदेशी संस्थाओं के नाम एवं पता, उनके द्वारा प्रदत्त राशि, सहायता प्राप्त करने वाले स्वयंसेवी संगठनों के नाम और उनके द्वारा प्राप्त की गई राशि का वर्ष-वार तथा योजना-वार ब्यौरा क्या है?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट): (क) और (ख) बिहार के मधुबनी जिले में सूचना देने वाली एसोसियेशनों द्वारा वर्ष 1992-93 और 1993-94 के दौरान प्राप्त की गई विदेशी अभिदायों की राशि, दानकर्त्ता एजेंसियों और जिस प्रयोजन हेतु विदेशी अभिदाय प्राप्त किया गया था, के ब्यौरे दर्शाते हुए एक विवरण संलग्न है।